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Teens in juvenile corrections facility make strides in education

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Eleven teens earned their high school diplomas or GEDs at a graduation ceremony at the Macon Youth Development Campus Wednesday. Of that number, seven earned their high school diplomas, while the rest received their GEDs, according to a news release.

At the event, an additional 15 students received technical college certificates of credit or Work Ready certificates.

The Macon YDC students were among the 102 at juvenile justice facilities around that state that earned high school diplomas, GEDs and vocational certificates this month.

"These graduates worked hard for their achievements," L. Gale Buckner, state Department of Juvenile Justice commissioner, said in a news release. "I encourage them to build on their success so that when they leave they continue to see there are opportunities available to them."